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ATTENTION : Examiner Cynthia Collins
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APPLICANT : 09/831,083
FILED : Ute HEIM, et al.,
FOR : May 3, 2001
Cassette for Expression of Arbitrary Genes in
Plant Seed

TRANSMIT COPY OF PRELIM AMENDMENT

September 2, 2003

Attached please find:

- Copy of preliminary amendment that cancels claims 14-18.
- Copies of the stamped postcard receipt.

If there are further issues to resolve feel free to contact me at 646 487 5675.

Respectfully submitted,


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REQUEST FOR EARLY NOTIFICATION OF SERIAL NO.
USPTO MAILROOM hereby ACKNOWLEDGES RECEIPT of
annexed

- a) TRANSMITTAL LETTER PTO-1390 which is
identified by the following particulars; and
b) ENCLOSURES: Preliminary Amendment with marked-up
and clean copies of specification and claims; English
translation of application including Figs. 2a-7;
English translation of amended Fig. 1 and claims

Date of Transmittal Letter: May 2, 2001

Docket: 101195-48

Applicant : Ute Heim et al.
Intl. Appln. No. PCT/DE99/03432

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APPLICANT : Ute Heim et al.
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Box PCT
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, line 3, please delete "Description" and insert
--Background of the Invention--;

Page 2, after line 21 (using printed line numbers), please
insert --Summary of the Invention--;

after line 32 (using printed line numbers), please
insert --Brief Description of the Drawings

Fig. 1 - the sequence of SBP promoter;

Fig. 2a - Northern blot of Vicia faba against VFSBP20 probe;

Fig. 2b - cross-section of ripe Transgenic (SBPRGUS) tobacco seed;

Fig. 2c - β -glucuronidase content in transgenic pSBPRGUS tobacco line;

Fig. 3 - restriction maps of clone pSBPR7 and pSBPR15;

Fig. 4 - a graft of plasmid pGPTV-Bar;

Fig. 5 - a graft of the 3' untranslated area of promoter region with the polyadenylation signals of the octopine synthase gene;

Fig. 6 - a graft of the smoothed Asp719/SphI fragment ligated with the binary vector pGPTV-Bar from plasmid pSBRXYZ;

and

Fig. 7 - Western Blot of protein extract from ripe seed with Xylanase Z directed antibodies.

Detailed Description of the Preferred Embodiments--;

Page 4, line 12 (using printed line numbers), please insert --blot-- after "Northern".

A clean copy of this addition and amended page 4 is attached.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims in accordance with the attached